

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice to Water Users
(Pursuant to Section 85-2-307, MCA)

The following application has been submitted to change a water right in the State of Montana.

THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION PROPOSES TO GRANT AN APPLICATION TO CHANGE A WATER RIGHT. DESCRIBED BELOW ARE THE PERTINENT FACTS WHICH SUMMARIZE THE APPLICATION. THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION (PD) DOCUMENTING THE FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ANY CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO THE WATER RIGHT ARE AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET AT <http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/wrd/>.

OBJECTION DEADLINE: JULY 1, 2016. THE DEPARTMENT CAN ONLY ACCEPT OBJECTIONS FILED ON AN OBJECTION TO APPLICATION, FORM 611. MAIL THE COMPLETED FORM AND THE \$25.00 FILING FEE TO THE DNRC, PO BOX 201601, HELENA, MT 59620-1601 BY THE DEADLINE SPECIFIED. THE FORM IS AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.

DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION, TO OBTAIN THE PD OR OBJECTION FORM TO THE WATER RESOURCES OFFICE AT 613 NE MAIN, SUITE E, LEWISTOWN, MT 59457-2020 FAX: 406-538-7089 PHONE: 406-538-7459.

Application Number : 41A 30072651

Applicant : MONTANA, STATE OF DEPT OF FISH WILDLIFE & PARKS
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WATER RIGHT NUMBER(S) BEING CHANGED

Water Right Type	Water Right Number	Priority Date
STATEMENT OF CLAIM	41A 110700-00	OCTOBER 15, 1888
Historical Flow Rate: 12.5 CFS	Historical Diverted Volume:	1,191.60 AC-FT

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POLICY OFFICE**

PAST USE OF WATER

STATEMENT OF CLAIM NO. 41A 110700 00 IS A WASTE & SEEPAGE RIGHT FOR IRRIGATION FROM AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY TO LONG CREEK IN BEAVERHEAD COUNTY. THE CLAIMED PRIORITY DATE IS OCTOBER 15, 1888, WITH AN ASSOCIATED PERIOD OF USE OF JUNE 1 TO SEPTEMBER 15. THE POINT OF DIVERSION WAS CLAIMED IN THE S2 SECTION 16 TO FLOOD IRRIGATE 432 ACRES IN SECTIONS 20, 21, 28 & 29, ALL IN T13S R4W.

PROPOSED CHANGE

APPLICANT IS PROPOSING TO TEMPORARILY CHANGE STATEMENT OF CLAIM NO. 41A 110700 00 FOR A PERIOD OF TEN YEARS. THE TEMPORARY CHANGE IS PROPOSED TO ACCOMMODATE AN INSTREAM FLOW PURPOSE TO ENHANCE THE FISHERY IN LONG CREEK BETWEEN JULY 1 AND SEPTEMBER 15, AFTER PARTIAL SEASON IRRIGATION OF 375 OF THE CLAIMED 432 ACRES OCCURS IN MAY AND JUNE.

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